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First Annual Executive Technology Conference Held

State Information Processing
Services and the Information Technology
Commission hosted the first annual
Executive Technology Conference on
September 28, 1989, at the Microelectronic Center in the Research Triangle
Park. The purpose of the conference, according to State Controller Fred Talton,
was to bring "together some of the top
minds of information technology in the
United States to discuss current topics
relating to the management of electronic
information."

Several prominent dignitaries attended, including members of the General Assembly, state government department heads, university chancellors, the Governor's Committee on Data Processing and Information Systems, and the members of the MCNC Board of Directors.

The attendees were welcomed to



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the conference by Mr. Talton: "We hope that this interaction provides all of [the attendees] with an opportunity to better understand information management and to comprehend its important impact on your organizations," he said. "Perhaps it will leave you with some information, and some thoughts and ideas that you will carry back to your own organizations.

"The legislature has wisely chosen to create the Information Technology Commission," Mr. Talton told the conference. "The Commission works closely with the State Information Processing Services (SIPS). The Commission has the responsibility to approve the proposals of SIPS and to act on their recommendations."

Then, Lieutenant Governor James Gardner greeted the attendees on behalf of Governor Martin and expressed the Governor's regrets at not being able to

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LRIS BECOMES CGIA

In the on-going restructuring of state government, the Land Resources Information Service has changed its name. As of January 11, 1990, the Land Resources Information Service (LRIS) has become the Center for Geographic Information and Analysis (CGIA) in the Division of Statistics and Information Services, which is under the Assistant Secretary for Administration of the Department of

Environment, Health, and Natural Resources.

Karen Siderelis, the director of the LRIS, is now the director of the CGIA. The telephone number, physical location, and mailing address for the CGIA is the same as for the LRIS; and the focus of the CGIA remains to provide geographic information system (GIS) support for agencies in North Carolina.

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